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The proposed settlement only rewards Microsoft for their monopolistic tactics. It will further their monopoly by forcing students to learn their software. The cost to them is negligible; they only need pay for the hardware (CD's and books). The only proposal that makes the punishment fit the crime is to take Red Hat's offer to provide software and force Microsoft to pay for the hardware for every school in America. This teaches students alternative operating systems and desktop software. This will create competition in exactly the areas where Microsoft removed competition by their monopolistic tactics. It will surely lead to more innovation as a result.
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